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Kildare County Council



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Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025–2031

Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Determination in accordance with the EU's Habitats Directive Article 6(3) and the Section 177U of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)

An Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Determination has been made by Kildare County Council and Meath County Council regarding the final Proposed Material Alterations of the Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025–2031. Under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) a plan must be subject to a Screening for AA where there is the potential for a plan to have a likely significant effect upon the Natura 2000 network (European sites).

The Draft Joint Plan and the final Proposed Material Alterations (PMAs) of the Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025–2031, through a series of Objectives, will set out the vision and direction for the future development of the Maynooth and Environs area, up to 2031. The PMAs included the addition or removal of text within the draft objectives for the purposes of providing further clarity, nominating stakeholders and identifying locations for implementation. The final Proposed Material Alterations included drawings and maps to provide further clarity on design and locations.

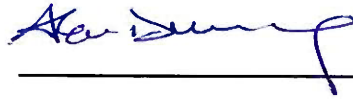
A Screening for AA determination is being made by Kildare County Council and Meath County Council regarding the final PMAs of the Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025–2031. Section 13(5) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) requires, inter alia, a determination to be made as to whether the PMAs to the Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025–2031 warrant the undertaking of an AA.

The Screening for AA report of the final Proposed Material Alterations of the Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025–2031, concludes that the final Proposed Material Alterations, either alone or in-combination with other plans or projects, will not give rise to likely significant effects and there is, therefore, no potential for adverse effects on the integrity of any European sites of the Natura 2000 network, in view of their conservation objectives.

The undersigned, having carefully considered the information referred to above, agrees with and adopts the reasoning and conclusion presented above. The undersigned hereby determines, pursuant to Section 13(5) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) that a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment is not required.

This decision has been informed by the final Proposed Material Alterations, the Screening for AA Report of the final Proposed Material Alterations, and the Screening for AA and AA Report of the Draft Maynooth and Environs Joint Local Area Plan 2025–2031.

Signed:




Date:

31st March 2025

Signatory (Approved Officer):

Director of Service, Kildare County Council

Signed:



Date:

31st March 2025

Signatory (Approved Officer):

Director of Service, Meath County Council